#### PATENT APPLICATION

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For: HORIZONTALLY CONTINUOUSLY CAST ROD OF ALUMINUM ALLOY AND

METHOD AND EQUIPMENT FOR PRODUCING THE ROD

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)," for the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully submits herewith copies of the Declaration and Assignment, properly executed by the inventors, along with Form PTO-1595. Also, enclosed are an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO/SB/08 A & B and copies of the references listed therein.

Checks for the statutory fee of \$130.00 and recordation of Assignment fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

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# NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/23/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/23/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/23/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/23/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/23/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 09/23/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/23/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/23/2005
- Specification filed on 09/23/2005
- Claims filed on 09/23/2005
- Abstracts filed on 09/23/2005
- Drawings filed on 09/23/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
  or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the
  missing items identified in this letter.

### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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